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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: ALIEN ELIGIBILITY CHART

The purpose of this notice is to circulate an alien eligibility chart which was recently published by the National Immigration Law Center (NILC) in their monthly newsletter. The chart is a synopsis of alien eligibility for various programs. The NILC is an organization which specializes in immigration law, employment law, and aliens' eligibility for public benefits.


A recent clarification to the food stamp regulations as it pertains to the amnesty aliens of IRCA, and the addition of the Family Unity Program, brought about the publication of this chart.

Since the County Welfare Departments provide public assistance to not only IRCA amnesty aliens, but others as well, we believe this will be a helpful reference tool. The Department of Social Services (DSS) believes the chart to be accurate with regard to programs administered by DSS but disclaims responsibility for the accuracy of any specific information on the chart. The chart is a source of general information, and may be reproduced for distribution.

If you have any questions about an individual alien's eligibility, please refer to the appropriate regulations and/or contact the appropriate program staff.

If you need further information regarding the ACIN, please contact Ms. Pam Kian of the Immigration and Resettlement Management Bureau at (916) 323-5846.

Sincerely

  
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Deputy Director

Attachment

## OVERVIEW OF ALIEN ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS

PROGRAM	ALIEN'S STATUS							
				AMNESTY				
	LPR	REFUGEE/ ASYLEE	PRUCOL	PRE-82	SAW	FAMILY UNITY	TPS	UNDOC
CASH								
AFDC	Yes	Yes	Yes (narrowly defined)	No (for 5 years)	No (for 5 years)	No (for 5 yrs. or until LPR)	No	No
SSI	Yes	Yes	Yes (broadly defined)	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Unemployment Insurance	Yes	Yes	Yes (broadly defined)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
MEDICAL CARE								
Medi-Cal	Yes	Yes	Yes (broadly defined)	Full services for 65 & over, disabled, or child under 21. Others limited to emergency & pregnancy services for 5 years		Limitation is for 5 years or until LPR	Emergency & pregnancy services	Emergency & pregnancy services
FOOD								
Food Stamps	Yes	Yes	Not applicable	No (for 5 years unless 65 or older or disabled)	Yes	No (until LPR)	No	No
WIC	Yes	Yes	Not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
School Lunch & Breakfast	Yes	Yes	Not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
EDUCATION								
Headstart, K-12	Yes	Yes	Not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Title IV Federal Loans	Yes	Yes	Not applicable	Yes	Yes	Maybe	Maybe	No
JTPA	Yes	Yes	Not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes (if work- authorized)	Yes (if work- authorized)	No
HOUSING & OTHER SERVICES								
Federal Housing	Yes	Yes	Not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Social Services Block Grant	Yes	Yes	Not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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¿PARA CUALES PROGRAMAS DE BENEFICIOS PÚBLICOS CALIFICO YO?**

PROGRAMA	ESTADO LEGAL							
				AMNISTÍA				
	Resi- dente	Refugiado/ Asiliado	PRUCOL	Pre-'82	Campo	Unidad Familiar	TPS	Indocu- mentado
<b>DINERO EN EFECTIVO</b>								
<b>AFDC</b> ("Welfare")	Sí	Sí	Sí (definición limitada)	No (por 5 años)	No (por 5 años)	No (5 años o hasta residencia)	No	No
<b>SSI</b>	Sí	Sí	Sí (definición amplia)	Sí	Sí	Sí	No	No
<b>Seguros de Desempleo</b>	Sí	Sí	Sí (definición amplia)	Sí	Sí	Sí	Sí	No
<b>BENEFICIOS MÉDICOS</b>								
<b>Medi-Cal</b>	Sí	Sí	Sí (definición amplia)	<i>Mayores de 65, incapacitados, y niños menores de 21: servicios completos. Otros: por 5 años, solo servicios de emergencia y embarazo.</i>		Limitación es por 5 años o hasta que se convierte en residente	Servicios de emergencia y embarazo	Servicios de emergencia y embarazo
<b>COMIDA</b>								
<b>Estampillas para comida</b>	Sí	Sí	No aplica	No (por 5 años, a menos que es mayor de 65 o incapacitado)	Sí	No (hasta residencia)	No	No
<b>WIC</b>	Sí	Sí	No aplica	Sí	Sí	Sí	Sí	Sí
<b>Desayuno y almuerzo escolar</b>	Sí	Sí	No aplica	Sí	Sí	Sí	Sí	Sí
<b>EDUCACIÓN</b>								
<b>"Headstart," K-12</b>	Sí	Sí	No aplica	Sí	Sí	Sí	Sí	Sí
<b>Préstamos Título IV</b>	Sí	Sí	No aplica	Sí	Sí	Posiblemente	Posiblemente	No
<b>JTPA (Entrenamiento laboral)</b>	Sí	Sí	No aplica	Sí	Sí	Sí (con permiso para trabajar)	Sí (con permiso para trabajar)	No
<b>VIVIENDAS Y OTROS SERVICIOS</b>								
<b>Viviendas federales</b>	Sí	Sí	No aplica	Sí	Sí	Sí	Sí	Sí
<b>"Block grants" para servicios sociales</b>	Sí	Sí	No aplica	Sí	Sí	Sí	Sí	Sí

## GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATIONS

<u>LPR</u>	Legalized Permanent Resident
<u>PRUCOL</u>	Permanently Residing Under the Color of Law
<u>PRE-82</u>	Legalized Alien - Section 245A of the INA
<u>SAW</u>	Seasonal Agricultural Worker - Section 210 of the INA
<u>FAMILY UNITY</u>	A statutory provision granting a stay of deportation and employment authorization for spouses and unmarried minor children of persons who have obtained amnesty pursuant to 301 of the Immigration Act of 1990.
<u>TPS</u>	Temporary Protected Status
<u>UNDOC</u>	Undocumented

\*No (for 5 years)

\*This pertains only to those legalized under the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. The term "No (for 5 years)" encompasses the five-year period which follows the legalized alien's original application date for amnesty. With respect to Family Unity, those individuals have the same restrictions and time limitations as their legalized spouse or parent.